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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Tongtong Wang et al.  
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For : COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE THERAPY AND  
DIAGNOSIS OF LUNG CANCER

Examiner : Michael L. Borin  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Advisory Action dated October 1, 2002, and further to the Notice of Appeal filed January 21, 2003, please extend the period of time for response five months, to expire on August 21, 2003. The present amendment is filed with a Request for Continued Examination and is a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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